

# Onions

Utah onion growers produced 1.1 million cwt of onions in 1998. This was 5 percent below the previous year's estimate. Growers planted 2,500 acres, up 100 acres from 1997. They harvested 2,400 acres during the year, an increase of 100 acres from 1997. The yield per acre

was 440 cwt, 45 cwt below the previous year. Farmers received an average of \$10.10 per cwt for their onions, up \$1.26 per cwt from 1997. Total value of the crop was \$9.1 million, up 7 percent from 1997.

## Onions: Summer Storage (Fresh Market), Acreage, Yield, Production, and Value, Utah, 1991-98

| Year               | Acreage |           | Yield per Acre | Production | Quantity Not Sold <sup>1/</sup> | Sales | Value of Sales |               |
|--------------------|---------|-----------|----------------|------------|---------------------------------|-------|----------------|---------------|
|                    | Planted | Harvested |                |            |                                 |       | Per Cwt        | Total         |
|                    | Acres   |           | Cwt            |            | 1,000                           |       | Dollars        | 1,000 Dollars |
| 1991               | 2,000   | 1,900     | 460            | 874        | 157                             | 717   | 7.80           | 5,593         |
| 1992               | 2,100   | 2,000     | 525            | 1,050      | 158                             | 892   | 9.65           | 8,608         |
| 1993               | 2,100   | 1,800     | 440            | 792        | 277                             | 515   | 17.70          | 9,116         |
| 1994               | 2,200   | 2,000     | 410            | 820        | 120                             | 700   | 9.10           | 6,363         |
| 1995               | 2,300   | 2,200     | 440            | 968        | 106                             | 862   | 6.40           | 5,517         |
| 1996               | 2,200   | 2,100     | 470            | 987        | 207                             | 780   | 8.00           | 6,240         |
| 1997               | 2,400   | 2,300     | 485            | 1,116      | 160                             | 956   | 8.84           | 8,451         |
| 1998 <sup>2/</sup> | 2,500   | 2,400     | 440            | 1,056      | 160                             | 896   | 10.10          | 9,050         |

<sup>1/</sup> Includes shrinkage, waste, and cullage. <sup>2/</sup> Preliminary estimates. Estimates subject to revision in the Vegetable Report July 9, 1999.

## Utah Onion Production and Value 1991-1998

